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DEAD ANIMAL DISPOSAL



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This instruction establishes responsibilities and procedures governing the disposal of dead animals on Edwards Air Force Base.

SUMMARY OF REVISION

Establishes change in burial site (para 1.); adds policy for removal of dead animals by CE (para 2.2.3.); changes policy for burial of horses (para 3.2.); changes reporting procedures (para 3.4.2.1. and 3.4.2.2.).

1. Policy. Dead animals will be disposed of as quickly as possible; disposal on Edwards AFB is at a designated site. Current burial site is located approximately one-half mile west of the Riding club where a separate area has been fenced off for domestic pets.

2. Responsibilities.

2.1. The owner of a dead animal is responsible for its burial, including transporting it to the burial site. Building managers and occupants of base housing or the mobile home park are responsible for the disposal of any dead animals within their area of their responsibility.

2.2. Civil Engineers will:

2.2.1. Provide a burial site.

2.2.2. Accept dead animal reports at the Service Call desk.

2.2.3. Provide, through the Pavement and Equipment shop (95 CEG/CEZHHP) for the disposal of ownerless domestic and wild animals found on common areas of the base, such as streets, base parks, the Center and Wing headquarters and open desert areas. CE will not remove dead animals

from an area that is the responsibility of the housing occupants or facility manager, unless it is a coyote or larger. Wild animals will be disposed of in the open range.

3. Procedures.

3.1. Household Pets: Owners report to the sanitary landfill office for directions to the designated burial area. Pet burial is authorized only in this designated area.

3.2. Horses: Disposal of dead horses will be at the expense of the owner. The owner may request Civil Engineer support on a reimbursable basis. Reimbursement cost will be determined using the current shop rate times the actual number of hours required (approx. 2-3). Civil Engineers may require two hours notice to prepare a trench for the animal. Contact CE Heavy Repair Control for more details.

3.3. Wild Animals: Wild animals found along the road in open range areas will be disposed of in the open range whenever possible.

3.4. Report dead animals to Civil Engineers to include location, type and size of animal.

3.4.1. During normal duty hours (0630-1600, Monday-Friday), call the appropriate Zone controller. Zone controller will notify CEZHHP for disposal of the animal. If the animal has identification tags, CEZHHP will notify Veterinary services will then determine the owner and notify them of disposal responsibility.

3.4.2. After normal duty hours, call the Fire Communications Operator (ext. 7-3330).

3.4.2.1. If the animal is in the housing areas and it is before 2000, the Fire Communications Operator will notify the CEZHHP standby person to dispose of the animal immediately. The standby person will record identification tag numbers of domestic animals and report them to Veterinary Services the next duty day.

3.4.2.2. If the animal is in the main base complex, or the housing areas and it is after 2000, the Fire Communications Operator will notify the CEZHHP standby person to dispose of the animal by 0900 the next day. The standby person will record identification tag numbers of domestic animals and report them to Veterinary Services the next duty day.

3.4.2.3. If the animal is on an outlying area of the base, the Fire Communications Operator will annotate the location, type of animal and name of requester in the CE Emergency Desk Activities Log for action the next duty day.

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